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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher and the Federal Bureau of Health and Human Services, Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Internal Revenue Service announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: The Honorable Warren K. Urbom, Senior United States District Judge in Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 26, 2009, sentenced Mobility Specialists, which also did business under the name of the Scooter Superstore, following its conviction for healthcare fraud. Mobility Specialists, which operated a store near 44th and O Streets in Lincoln, previously pled guilty to a federal charge of healthcare fraud on November 10, 2008. The business was ordered to pay restitution totaling \$293,762 to a variety of private insurance companies, to the Nebraska Medicaid program and to the federal Medicare program. Furthermore, the business agreed to a five-year exclusion from receiving reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid, or any other healthcare program or company.

Name of Defendant: Mobility Specialists, d/b/a Scooter Superstore

AKA:

Age: N/A

City of Residence:

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty: Healthcare Fraud - \$500,000 fine and \$400 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: N/A

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: 07/23/2001 through 02/21/2005

Federal Arrest Date: N/A

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Information Date: 11/10/2008

Initial Appearance Date: 11/10/2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): 11/10/2008

Sentencing Date: 01/26/2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: N/A

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Warren K. Urbom

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